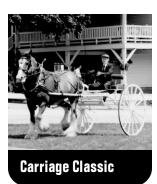
Carriage Classic



The Columbus
Carriage Classic's
inaugural show
was held June
12, 1999, in
Fireman's Park.
It featured
competitions
in 28 classes
including pleasure driving,

reinsmanship, obstacle course, best antique vehicle, and best new vehicle. Judging was based on performance, manners of the horse(s), condition and fit of the harness and vehicle, and neatness of attire. Participants came from all over the country dressed in their turn-of-the-century best for the event. There were approximately 40 entries, which translated into more than 130 competitions.

Admission to the event was free. Spectators donating \$5 became "Friends of the Carriage Classic" and received a show program, a "Friend" identifying ribbon, educational materials, and the opportunity to vote on the "People's Choice" award. Friends of the Carriage Classic also had access to an exhibit of restored and original antique carriages.

The Columbus Downtown Development Corporation (CDDC) underwrote the event. It was so successful that plans are being made to expand it to a two-day event in 2000.



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